

"Buck" Barton and "Dutch" Munch Put Names to Washington Contracts

BARTON AND MUNCH PUT SIGNATURES TO NATIONAL CONTRACT

Climbers' Recently Purchased Recruits Ordered Home for Winter.

WASHINGTON PLAYS AT HOBOKEN SUNDAY

George Stovall Expected to Sign Contract With Browns for Another Year.

By "SENATOR."

"Buck" Barton and "Dutch" Munch, the crack battery of the Peppo team, amateur champions of the District for 1912 and winner of the intercity title, are now full-fledged members of the Climbers. Both put their names to contracts yesterday.

Barton's great work in the box practically won the Independence League pennant for the Peppo team this season. His most brilliant work, though, was against Cornell, in the most season series for the District championship. It was then that Manager Griffith took a look at him, and pronounced him worthy of a trial with the Climbers.

"Dutch" Munch made a hit with Griffith by his great pecking to second. He has one of the best throwing arms ever seen in a youngster of the lot. Both of these youngsters will be taken to Charlottesville in the spring for trials, and, failing to make good, will be placed with some minor league outfit for future development.

Youngsters Leave.

Mei Gallia, Joe Boehling, "Red" Herring, Roy Moran, and Bill Kenworthy have been ordered to go home and await orders to report in the spring for preliminary training. The rest of the squad, including Joe Agler, the Atlanta first baseman, who got into the batting order by striking out for Groom in the seventh yesterday, will go to New York tonight at 12:30 to engage in the last three games of the 1912 campaign against the Highlanders.

Sunday an independent team will be played in Hoboken and on Monday the Highlanders will be played in Hartford, Conn. The receipts of these two exhibition games will be divided among the players. The pool for the players will consist of the receipts of two games in Baltimore, one each in Albany, Syracuse, Hoboken, and Hartford, and should net the lads enough to take them to their homes at the close of the season.

"Dutch" Schaefer escorted a bunch of the Climbers to the Laurel track today and they may need the money accruing from these exhibition games.

Agler Will Play.

Joe Agler will play first base for the Climbers in at least one of the games in New York. He may be sent in tomorrow in order to comply with the rules of organized baseball, which demands that purchased players from minor leagues must be played before being sent back to it. He is expected that Agler will distance Gandil for the place.

Today George Stovall is expected to sign a contract to manage the St. Louis Browns for another season. Stovall's success in St. Louis has been marked, and his team should be dangerous next season. If some of his youngsters continue the showing they have made this season, they may be the best of recommendations.

Plunging on Series.

Now they are plunging on the world's series over in New York, \$20,000 being put up at odds of 5 to 4 on the Red Sox. The Boston men wanted 10 to 1 after this amount was up and so the betting just naturally stopped.

It is expected that in New York Klem will work behind the bat, while Evans will work on the bases. In Boston O'Loughlin will work behind the bat, with Riggler on the bases.

Billie Laidler, the old third-base man of the Giants, will coach the Columbia variety baseball team next spring. Laidler has developed such star pitchers as Davis and Templeton, of Williams.

Telephone—Washington won the opening game in 1911. Gray pitched six innings and "Dixie" Walker three. Joe Wood pitched five and one-third innings, being relieved by Eddie Karger. The score was 8 to 5.

Baseball Standings

AMERICAN LEAGUE

Standing of the Clubs.					
	Won.	Lost.	Pct.	Today's Win.	Today's Loss.
Boston	102	46	.691	693	587
WASH'N	89	60	.597	600	593
Philadelphia	89	60	.597	600	593
Chicago	74	76	.493	487	490
Cleveland	72	77	.484	487	490
Detroit	69	80	.463	467	460
St. Louis	62	98	.387	351	344
New York	48	99	.327	331	325

Games Today.

Chicago at Detroit.

Cleveland at St. Louis.

Yesterday's Results.

Boston, 12; Washington, 3.

Philadelphia, 4; New York, 3.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

Chicago	89	59	.601	.604	.597
Cincinnati	74	77	.490	.493	.487
Philadelphia	71	77	.480	.484	.477
St. Louis	63	88	.417	.421	.414
Brooklyn	57	91	.385	.389	.382
Boston	48	100	.324	.329	.320

Games Today.

Brooklyn at Boston.

Philadelphia at New York.

Yesterday's Results.

Philadelphia, 9; New York, 2.

Pittsburgh, 4; Chicago, 1.

St. Louis, 3; Cincinnati, 2.

Brooklyn-Boston-Rain.

Rival Pitchers in World's Series Who Are Expected to Bring Victory to Their Teams



WOOD JUST COMPLETING HIS SWING WHICH BROUGHT HIM—SIXTEEN STRAIGHT VICTORIES.



WOOD AND TESREAU WILL MAKE THE BATTERS LOOK LIKE DUMMIES.



JOE WOOD—RED SOX STAR WHO WILL BEAR THE BRUNT OF THE WORLD SERIES BATTLE—HOLDS LEAGUE RECORD WITH JOHNSON.



JEFF TESREAU—GIANTS' MAMMOTH TWIRLER WHO WILL OPPOSE WOOD. HE WEIGHS 235 AND HUNTS BEARS BARE HANDED.



WOOD STARTING HIS WIND-UP ON HIS FAMOUS SWIFT BALL, WHICH EARNED HIM THIRTY-THREE VICTORIES THIS SEASON.



WHEN AN OAK LEAF BEARS TESREAU IS HUNTING HIM—HE COMES IN AND LIVES HIMSELF UP!

BASEBALL EXIT IS MELANCHOLY EVENT

Climbers Make Poor Appearance at National Park in Final Game of Nineteen-Twelve Season—Red Sox Win, 12 to 3.

By "SENATOR."

King Baseball exited with many tears and sobs at the Florida avenue ballpark yesterday. Bob Groom losing his attempt to make it ten successive victories. The champions copped, 12 to 3. Groom's vulnerability, coupled with some hidden fielding by the Red Sox, quashed the hopes of the Climbers at the start and toward the end of the contest degenerated into a roaring farce, with Nick Altrock pulling his boxing and wrestling stunt without any opposition on the part of the umpires. Indeed, what was the use of being strict with the athletes falling over each other in the field?

Foster seldom has a bad day. "The well, if he came through with many such performances as he gave yesterday—wura, wura, would be terrible, indeed, and he would have a lean berth in a minor league instead of a fat one in the big show. He just couldn't stop a blamed thing and almost all his legs were wide, one losing the runner altogether.

Red Sox Field Day.

The champions had a lot of fun with the disorganized Climbers. Tris Speaker cutting up like a high school boy whenever he got on, which was frequently. Five Red Sox were served out to the Texas and he scored four runs, largely because Duffy Lewis was having a field day with the waning, pounding out four bingles. "Twas a gallop for Tris and Duffy.

The one bright spot in the work of the Climbers was the attacking of "Chick" Gandil. The big first baseman crashed three beautiful drives and slammed a fourth so hot that Helme Wagner booted it. His driving was as smooth as could be.

Danny Moeller came through with two good catches, one a fine running catch of Thomas' sailer in short right. The other took him almost to the scoreboard, but he froze to the ground. The rambler disappointed his friends in the eighth frame, though, by dropping a pitifully easy fly from the hands of a Climber coming in to the dirt for it.

George McBride's wonderful one-handed stop of Steve Yerkes drive over the bag in the eighth was a thing of beauty and a joy forever, but it did not surpass Yerkes' great stop and throw of "Fats" Shanker within the fourth. Both of these stops were the real thing, worth the admission price.

Two in the First.

Two walks, a single by Lewis, and two errors, one by Miller and one by Foster, gave the champions two runs in the opening inning. In the third they jumped upon Groom with both feet and hammered out five bingles which, with an error by Foster, counted four tallies and settled the combat.

Speaker burnt one just outside of Laporte's flippers. Lewis singled right and Foster let Moeller's throw go through him. Stahl and Thomas and Thomas singled in succession before Bedient whiffed. Then Foster buried wildly and the fourth run counted.

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WOOD AND TESREAU BOOKED TO BRUNT OF WORK IN SERIES

Red Sox Pitcher Has Better Record Than the Giants' Star.

"Smoky Joe" Wood and "Gazak Jeff" Tesreau are the logical selections for the pitching honors in the world's series clash. Jake Stahl depending upon Wood to land the initial contest for the Red Sox, and John McGraw looking to the latest star for pitching honors to uphold the Giants.

Joe Wood's record is well known. He is the leading pitcher in the American League, has won thirty-three games and dropped but five, holding in this respect the highest average of any American League pitcher. Wood has gone through the season with never a letup. He tied Walter Johnson's record of sixteen straight wins and, contrary to the dope, instead of blowing, came through in his next appearance with a shut out and allowed his opponents two hits.

Jeff Tesreau is new to the show. It is his first year in fact company, although he was a member of Jennings' team for a couple of hours. Last year he came from Toronto, and while never considered a wonder his huge bulk stood him in stead as a guttural for work. Tesreau is a spit ball pitcher, a right-hander with good speed and fine control, the last attribute acquired this season under the tutelage of Wilbert Robinson, the old Baltimore catcher, who draws a salary from McGraw for the purpose of instructing the pitchers.

Just why Tesreau should be the selection no one seems willing to volunteer, yet he is expected and looked upon as the logical choice since it has been he who has stood up under fire in the last long slugging of the Giants, pitching marvelous ball and achieving the goal sought by every man who faced a batter, a no run, no hit game. Tesreau has seventeen wins and six defeats for the year. Jeff has passed 77 batters, cut loose on three occasions, hit 11 batters, and fanned 12. In this game in which he has worked he has passed up ninety-five batters, an average of something like 3.4 men per game. Wood has given up 10 runs, 10 hits, but eighty bases on balls in nearly forty games an average of two per contest.

WASHINGTON		BOSTON	
Moeller	4 1 3 0 1	Hopcroft	5 1 1 0 0
Foster	4 1 3 0 1	Yerkes	3 1 1 0 0
Miller	4 1 3 0 1	Speaker	1 1 1 0 0
Gandil	4 1 3 0 1	Lewis	4 4 2 0 0
Laport	2 2 1 0 0	Engle	2 0 1 0 0
Shank	3 1 1 0 0	Stahl	3 1 1 0 0
McBride	4 0 0 1 0	Wagner	5 2 2 0 1
Herr	2 0 1 0 0	Thomas	2 1 2 0 0
Groom	2 0 1 0 0	Bedient	0 0 1 0 0
Engel	0 0 0 0 0	Krug	0 0 1 0 0
Altrock	1 0 0 0 0	Totals	42 13 7 11

Totals... 33 5 27 15

*Batted for Groom in the seventh.

*Batted for Engel in the ninth.

Washington... 2 0 1 0 1 0 0 6-12

Boston... 2 0 4 1 0 0 2 0-12

Runs—Moeller, Gandil (2), Speaker (4).

Lewis, Engle, Stahl, Wagner (2), Stahl.

base—Laport, Henry, Speaker, Stahl.

Thomas. Left on base—Washington, 7;

Boston, 10. First base on balls—Of Groom,

4; of Engel, 2. Times at bat by opponents—

Against Groom, 25; against Engel, 16. Hits—

Of Groom, 3; of Engel, 2. Struck out—By

Moeller, 6; by Engel, 2. Two-base hits—

Moeller, Gandil, Laporte, Lewis (2), Wagner.

Sacrifice hit—Shank. Hit by pitcher—By

Bedient. Errors—Foster, Stahl, Henry. Un-

placed—Messers, Evans and Egan. Time of

game—2 hours.

Evans Hurt.

Billy Evans was hurt badly by a foul tip in the first inning, but stuck gamely to his task. The players were sorry to see this popular official injured.

Speaker's Only Hit.

Tris Speaker's only hit was a high bounce over Groom's head. It went so high that he easily reached first before the ball settled in Laporte's glove.

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